

MINUTES
SEX OFFENDER RESIDENCE BOARD
Wednesday, July 9, 2014
City Hall, Room 310
2:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ben Heiman, Renee Keehan, Kathy De Cremer, Heidi Michel

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Dean Gerondale

The meeting was called to order by Heidi Michel.

1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion made by Ben Heiman to approve the June 11, 2014 Minutes, seconded by Renee Keehan. All in favor. Motion carried.

2. APPEALS

- (a) Appeal of Armondo Dillard requesting to move to 410 S. Webster Avenue, Apt. D

Armondo appeared by phone from the Fox Lake Correctional Institution. Heidi Michel advised Armondo of his right to discuss treatment issues in closed session and informed him not to use the names of the victims.

Armondo appeared before the board last month. At that time he provided the members with details about the offense and all board members agreed they did not need to hear them again today. At the last meeting, Armondo was denied living at 410 S. Webster Avenue, Apartment D.

During the June meeting, Armondo stated he attended domestic violence, sex offender and AODA classes, but did not have paperwork indicating he completed any of them. Armondo has now provided the board with a copy of the "Nexus Program Discharge Summary" which indicates he was admitted into the program on May 13, 2012 and was discharged on August 17, 2012.

On May 24, 2012, a report was filed regarding Armondo bragging about getting physical/sexual with a woman at Step Industries. On May 29, 2012, another staff member saw Armondo looking at provocative pictures on the computer. On June 29, 2012, Armondo received a formal letter indicating that his placement at Nexus was in jeopardy of termination for demonstrating negative behaviors (e.g., failure to follow staff directives, inappropriate computer use on multiple occasions, viewing of inappropriate

material). After receiving the letter, Armondo started demonstrating positive behavior by following rules and expectations.

Armondo apologized for lying to the board members about attending sex offender classes, but stated he was not required to do so. Armondo also apologized to the board members for lying about continuing the relationship with his girlfriend and receiving provocative pictures via email from her.

Kathy De Cremer asked Armondo if he did, in fact, attend anger management classes, what he learned from them, because at the conclusion of last month's meeting, Armondo became quite angry and began yelling at the board members. Armondo apologized for this behavior and stated he was upset because they denied him.

Argirtha Dillard, Armondo's mother, is present at the meeting. Armondo will be released on August 5, 2014 and needs a place to live. She will be able to support Armondo and make sure he stays on the right path. Argirtha believes her son is a good person.

A motion to DENY the appeal of Armondo Dillard was made by Renee Keehan, seconded by Kathy De Cremer. All in favor. Motion carried.

The board members feel Armondo is not being honest with them. There are too many inconsistencies.

Note: Armondo again began arguing and shouting at the board members. Heidi Michel disconnected the call.

(b) Appeal of Thomas Robinson requesting to move to 204 Randall Court, Apt. C

Thomas appeared in person. Heidi Michel advised Thomas of his right to discuss treatment issues in closed session and informed him not to use the names of the victims.

Thomas was released in November 2013. He has been staying at the TLP and is employed full time at American Foods.

Thomas was charged with first degree sexual assault of a child in 1986. He broke up with the child's mother and three weeks later, the charges were made. His attorney told him to take the plea deal because he wouldn't win in court, even though Thomas contends he did not assault the child.

Thomas would like to move to Randall Court and will be living alone.

A motion to APPROVE the appeal of Thomas Robinson was made by Kathy De Cremer, seconded by Ben Heiman. All in favor. Motion carried.

3. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting date of August 13, 2014 was confirmed.

A motion to adjourn was made by Renee Keehan, seconded by Ben Heiman. All in favor. Motion carried.